

**Informal Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 30, 2009
Meeting Scheduled Start Time: 10:00 AM**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Maricopa County, Arizona
(and the Boards of Directors of the Flood Control District,
Library District, Stadium District, Improvement Districts,
and/or Board of Deposit)**



"The mission of Maricopa County is to provide regional leadership and fiscally responsible, necessary public services to its residents so they can enjoy living in healthy and safe communities"

Board Members

Max Wilson, District 4, Chairman
Fulton Brock, District 1
Don Stapley, District 2
Andrew Kunasek, District 3
Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5

County Manager

David Smith

Clerk of the Board

Fran McCarroll

Meeting Location

Supervisors' Auditorium
205 W. Jefferson
Phoenix, AZ 85003

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County Arizona convened in Informal Session at 10:00 AM on Monday, March 30, 2009, in the Supervisors Auditorium with the following members present: Max Wilson, Chairman, District 4; Don Stapley, Supervisor, District 2; Andrew Kunasek, Supervisor, District 3; Mary Rose Wilcox, Supervisor, District 5. Absent: Fulton Brock, Supervisor, District 1. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; Shirley Million, Minutes Coordinator; David Smith, County Manager; and Victoria Mangiapane, Deputy County Attorney.

Chairman's Statement regarding County Attorney Conflict:

For the record, the Board has previously expressed concerns about the adversarial positions that the county attorney's office has often taken against the board. This concern has caused the Board to retain independent counsel to analyze this apparent ethical conflict and to take actions that may be warranted. The analysis and response is ongoing. In light of these concerns, the Board in no way waives any conflict or ethical issues that exist as a result of the county attorney's presence here.

PRESENTATION

Environmental Services

1. VECTOR CONTROL UPDATE PRESENTATION

Present an overview of the 2008 Vector Control Program and report on projected activities for 2009.(C-88-09-006-P-00)

John Townsend, Vector Control Division Manager

John Townsend reported on duties carried out during the past year and expected activities in the coming year. The Vector Control staff investigates citizen complaints dealing with mosquitoes, flies, non-native rodents and bees to enforce compliance with the County's health code.

~ Supervisor Brock entered the meeting

Mr. Townsend first discussed inspection and control measures for mosquitoes and test samples for the West Nile Virus. He said the County's CO2 mosquito trapping network is the largest in the United States. In 2008 more than 19,000 traps were set and collected in the

County.

Increasing numbers of foreclosures and abandoned pool properties were a major problem in 2008 and 9,117 green pool complaints were investigated, with 1,525 properties referred for legal action. More than 200,000 mosquito eating fish were distributed to treat green pools in 2008.

Arizona had 114 human cases of West Nile virus in 2008 with seven fatalities, most of these were in Maricopa County. Arizona ranked 2nd in the nation for West Nile Virus cases. Emerging and re-emerging diseases in Maricopa County and elsewhere include Arboviral Encephalitis; Dengue fever; Rift Valley fever; Venezuelan equine encephalitis; Malaria and Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome.

Mr. Townsend discussed budget cuts already taken by Vector Control and additional cuts expected. He reported on what areas of the program had to be cut or eliminated to meet the budget crisis.

Mr. Townsend said they will test a new adulticide against mosquitoes starting in the middle of April. The new product is very non-toxic but is supposed to work very well. The biggest problem is that as a new product, the adulticide is expensive. He explained that the department will be testing with the new product.

PRESENTATION AND ACTION

Management and Budget

2. ADDITIONAL BUDGET BALANCING ADJUSTMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2008-09 AND 2009-10

Pursuant to A.R.S. §42-17106(B), approve budget-balancing adjustments for Fiscal Years 2008-09 and 2009-10 in addition to the adjustments approved by the Board of Supervisors on March 16, 2009 (C-49-09-036-2-01). These budget adjustments are in accordance with the "Maricopa County Budgeting for Results Budget Balancing Guidelines" approved by the Board of Supervisors on November 17, 2008 (C-49-09-036-2-00) as detailed in Exhibit A on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board:

1. Transfer appropriated expenditure authority from the General Fund (100) Operating (0000) budgets of the departments listed in the General Fund section of Exhibit A to Non Departmental (470) General Fund (100) Operating (0000), to the contingency item "Reserve for Revenue Shortfall" as listed in the Non Departmental Detail section of Exhibit A.
2. Transfer appropriated expenditure authority from the Detention Fund (255) Operating (0000) budgets of the departments listed in the Detention Fund section of Exhibit A to Non Departmental (470) Detention Fund (255) Operating (0000), to the contingency item "Reserve for Revenue Shortfall" as listed in the Non Departmental Detail section of Exhibit A.
3. Transfer appropriated expenditure and revenue authority between the Operating (0000) budgets of the departments and funds listed in the Other Special Revenue Funds section of Exhibit A and Non Departmental (470) Non Departmental Grants Fund (249) Operating (0000), with the net adjustment to contingency as listed in the Non Departmental Detail section of Exhibit A.
4. Adjust budgeted Eliminations according to the Eliminations section of Exhibit A.

These adjustments have a net impact of zero to the FY 2008-09 County budget, but increase contingency reserves that will allow Maricopa County to offset forecasted revenue shortfalls.

Also, direct the Office of Management and Budget to include the annualized impact of the FY 2008-09 expenditure and revenue adjustments, along with other expenditure and revenue adjustments, in the FY 2009-10 Recommended Budget as listed in Exhibit A.

In accordance with the Budgeting for Results Budget Balancing Guidelines approved by the Board of Supervisors on November 17, 2008, elected, appointed and judicial branch departments developed budget-balancing proposals and submitted them to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). OMB has reviewed the proposals, and, after conferring with the affected departments, recommends the approval of the budget adjustments for FY 2008-09 and FY 2009-10 per Exhibit A. These adjustments are in addition to the adjustments approved by the Board of Supervisors on March 16, 2009 (C-49-09-036-2-01). (C-49-09-036-2-02)

Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Manager, Brian Hushek, Deputy Budget Director, LeeAnn Bohn, Deputy Budget Director, and Chris Bradley, Deputy Budget Director reported on the worsening financial outlook for the County with regard to revenues from the State Shared Sales Tax and Vehicle License Tax, the Jail Excise Tax and the Highway User Revenue Fund. These reductions, plus expected State and Federal impacts, less \$40 million in one-time costs, could reach \$137.4 million in FY 2010.

Two-thirds of County departments have already presented two-year reductions averaging 20.3%. Several other departments are in the end stages of delineating their budget cuts. The final budget for FY 2009-2010 must be ready for Board approval June 22, 2009. When asked which offices have not yet worked with the budget office to cut their budgets, Ms. Wilson replied, "The Treasurer, the County Attorney and the Sheriff."

Ms. Wilson outlined several budget balancing initiatives that will produce some additional savings. The biggest risk to the County is the State's massive budget problem that could be passed along to the County.

Motion to approve by: Supervisor Stapley, Seconded by: Supervisor Kunasek
Ayes: Kunasek, Stapley, Brock, Wilcox, Wilson

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vote to convene in Executive Session to consider items on the Executive Agenda dated Monday, March 30, 2009, pursuant to statutory authority listed for each item.

Motion to approve by: Supervisor Stapley, Seconded by: Supervisor Kunasek
Ayes: Kunasek, Stapley, Brock, Wilcox, Wilson

MEETING ADJOURNED

After considering matters on the executive session agenda and there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

ATTEST:

Max W. Wilson, Chairman of the Board

Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board